# **Study Guide for**

# Screening Languages Social Services Interpreters

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#### INSTRUCTIONS:

It is essential that you follow the instructions below to ensure proper scoring. You may not get credit for your correct answer if you fail to follow these instructions.

Be sure that the answer you mark on your answer sheet corresponds with the number of the test question in the test booklet. Fill in all the space between the lines using a #2 pencil. Your answer marks should look like this:

🖛 🖙 cCb cDb cEb

## MAKE DARK, CLEAR MARKS!

Mark only one answer for each question. If you change an answer, erase the old answer completely. If you don't erase completely, the computer might read both of the answers you marked. When two answers for one question are marked, the answer will be scored as incorrect.

# Written Test for Screening Languages Interpreters: Sample Questions (Social Services Interpreters)

# Prepared by Washington State Department of Social and Health Services Language Testing and Certification (LTC)

### **Test of Standard Written English**

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۱.	My l	My benefits terminated before I started working two months ago.								
	A. B.			have been will have been						
2.		She said she understand the policy statement on the application form.								
	A.	did not	C	should not						
_	В.		D.	will not						
3.	Wha	What other documents to bring with me for the interview?								
	Α.	do I need	C.	l do need						
	В.		D.	l will need						
1.				the program, you ha						

C.

D.

on

out

#### **Test of Social Services Terminology**

#### Directions:

Based on the context of each sentence, choose from A, B, C, and D the one word or phrase that most closely means the same as the underlined word or phrase. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of that item and completely blacken the box with the letter corresponding to your choice.

- 5. If we can have your children's social security numbers by the end of this month, you can expect to receive your <u>medical coupons</u> early next month.
  - A. stamps needed to make appointments with a medical doctor
  - B. stamps required to obtain discounts from a pharmacy
  - C. stamps served as written proof of health care insurance
  - D. stamps used as money to pay for health care expenses
- 6. Under number 3 on this page, please list <u>all sources of income</u> you have besides what you earn from your regular job.
  - A. any activity, anything, or any place that generates money
  - B. any activity, anything, or any place where money goes to
  - C. money coming from any source other than inheritance
  - D. money generated from doing spare-time odd jobs only
- 7. Specific treatment programs are based on <u>individualized client needs</u>.
  - A. needs determined by clients themselves
  - B. needs determined by individual program staff
  - C. needs particular to one client alone
  - D. needs particular to unmarried individuals
- 8. No recommendations will be made until your father's mental health status is <u>assessed</u>.
  - A. accelerated
  - B. accessed
  - C. escalated
  - D. evaluated

- 9. This program includes a <u>community reintegration phase</u> for those patients who have been referred by the criminal justice system.
  - A. period of time designated by the community to help the patient
  - B. period of time designated for the community to monitor the patient
  - C. period of time designated to determine where the patient belongs
  - D. period of time designated to prepare the patient to reenter society
- 10. If the pattern of child neglect continues, your <u>parental rights</u> might be taken away by the state.
  - A. custody and decision making privileges regarding a minor
  - B. imprisonment of parents due to continuous child neglect
  - C. responsibilities of children to take care of their senior parents
  - D. rights of parents to not be neglected by their own children
- 11. Child support is enforceable regardless of where an absent parent lives.
  - A. collectable
  - B. compulsive
  - C. evasive
  - D. payable
- 12. Your monthly benefits will stay the same through June 30th this year. Beginning July 1st, however, benefits might be different if there are policy modifications for the program.
  - A. abolishment of policy
  - B. adjustments of policy
  - C. distribution of notifications
  - D. termination of benefits
- 13. Since the <u>overpayment</u> was a mistake on our part, we will simply deduct it from your next check.
  - A. extra money the payer owes the payee
  - B. money averaged over a number of checks
  - C. money paid in excess of what it should be
  - D. payment that is over due by the next check

- 14. If the results of the investigation prove that the <u>financial status report</u> was <u>falsified</u>, a penalty of some sort will be assessed.
  - A. financial situation was altered or misrepresented in the report
  - B. financial situation was not represented in the status report
  - C. information in the financial status report was corrected totally
  - D. the report was falsely submitted as a financial status report
- 15. These rules apply to all applicants and should not be <u>violated</u> in any way.
  - A. applied
  - B. beaten
  - C. broken
  - D. ignored
- 16. <u>Interment assistance</u> is just one kind of monetary assistance this program provides.
  - A. assistance given in irregular payments
  - B. benefits to assist disaster victims
  - C. cash to help pay for living expenses
  - D. money to help pay for burial cost

#### **Test of Professional Ethics**

#### Directions:

Choose one letter from A and B to indicate whether each statement is true or false. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the item and completely blacken the box with the letter corresponding to your choice.

- 17. During an interpreting session, the interpreter has to constantly use his/her best judgement in choosing the most important information to interpret.
  - A. True

- B. False
- 18. Sometimes it is OK to be rude to a client, but it is never OK to be rude to a program staff.
  - A. True

- B. False
- 19. Professionalism of interpreters includes an interpreter's courage of not accepting an assignment that proves to be beyond the interpreter's expertise.
  - A. True

- B. False
- 20. Interpreters should always keep an open mind on changes in the profession and strive to keep pace with the changes.
  - A. True

B. False

# **Keys to Sample Questions**

(Do not consult these keys until you have finished answering all the questions in the previous pages)

- 1. A
- 2. A
- 3. A
- 4. B
- 5. D
- 6. A
- 7. C
- 8. D
- 9. D
- 10. A
- 11. B
- 12. B
- 13. C
- 14. A
- 15. C
- 16. D
- 17. B
- 18. B
- 19. A
- 20. A

# Oral Test for Screening Languages Interpreters: Sample Exercises (Social Services Interpreters)

To practise on the following materials, you will need a cassette recorder and a blank tape to record and play back your own voice. Please follow the directions for each portion of the sample exercises and use your recorder and blank tape as directed.

### **Sight Translation Exercise**

#### **Directions:**

Please orally translate the following sentences into your target language. You may look over each sentence silently before you begin translating. Make sure you read the number of each sentence in English before you translate it into your target language. When you are ready to proceed, insert your blank tape into your recorder, and simultaneously press both the "play" and "record" buttons on your recorder to record your own voice as you orally translate each sentence into your target language.

- 1. All of your children live with you all the time, is that correct?
- 2. Your living arrangements will also be taken into consideration.
- 3. You cannot use your food stamps to buy any non-food items.
- 4. If we do not receive your financial report by next Friday, your benefits for next month will be delayed.
- 5. I wanted to talk to someone in your office, but I could not find any interpreter to help me.
- Your benefits are based on the most current information we have.
   Therefore, if there is any change in the number of your family members, you must report it right away.

Turn off your recorder when you finish translating the last sentence. Eject the tape, set it aside, and go on to the next page for memory retention exercise.

#### **Memory Retention Exercise**

#### Directions:

You are going to listen to six pre-recorded sample English sentences for this exercise. You need to listen to each sentence and **repeat it in English**. The recording has built-in pauses between the sentences. The pause after each sentence is your time to repeat that sentence. There is a "beep" after each sentence. Once you hear the "beep", you may start repeating that sentence. Since this is a memory retention test, **do not** take notes. Instead, listen carefully to each sentence, try to memorize it, and repeat it as it is (in English) in the recording.

When you are ready for this exercise, click on the link of Audio Practice Sample under Social Service Pre-test Study Package for Screened Languages on the LTC homepage to listen to and repeat each sentence.

(Do not go on to back interpretation exercise until you finish the memory retention exercise.)

When you have finished repeating the last sentence, stop the player, and continue on to back interpretation exercise.

#### **Back Interpretation Exercise**

#### **Directions:**

This part is a back interpretation exercise. Please insert the tape with the sentences you orally translated from English into your target language into the recorder. You are to listen to each sentence and orally translate it back into English. Pause your recorder at the end of each sentence to give you time for interpreting.

You may take notes to help you recall what is being said. If you need to, you may replay each sentence once. After you finish interpreting a sentence, move on to the next sentence.

Please do not look at the sight translation page while doing this exercise. To check on how you are doing with this exercise, it is recommended that you use a second recorder with another blank tape to record your back interpretation. After you finish back interpret the last sentence, you may play back your back interpretation sentences and check them against the original English sentences on the sight translation page.

--- End of Oral Exercises ---

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# DSHS SOCIAL SERVICES GENERAL TERMINOLOGY

Δ Alcohol and Substance Abuse Aleut (race) abandonment alien ambulance absent parent American Indian abuse adjudicative proceeding amount amplifier administrative hearing Administrative Services Division (ASD) amplifier telephone access appeal accessible application accident apply accommodate applicant accommodation appointment account apprehend achieve apprehension addiction approval arbitration adjudicate adolescent anaignment adoption arrangement **Adult Protective Services** Asian Indian (race) advocacy assessment advocate assets affirmation assistance assistant agency Assistance Program aging Aging & Adult Services Administration assault (AASA) assurance attachment agreement Aid to Families with Dependent attend

attendant care

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Children (AFDC)

Alien Registration Card

Attorney General audible ring signaler authority authorization authorize

## B

bandage

base period (time)

battered battery behalf

beneficiary

benefits

bid

biennium bilingual

bill

birth certificate

Black (or African American)

blind

blood transfusion

bond
boss
braille
brochure
bronchitis
bruise

budget burglary business

## C

calculate

Cambodian (race)

cancellation

cancelled checks

case

case management cause (damage)

check

checking account

chemical dependency

Chicano child abuse child care

Child Protective Services (CPS)
Children's Administration (CA)

Chinese (race)

choice choose

circumstances

citizen citizenship

claim client

Client Services (CS)

clinic

clinically eligible

cocaine coerce community

community debts community outreach community property

Community Service Office (CSO)

Community Services (CS) cross-examination community worker crutches Cuban compensation complain current complaint custodial parents custody complete compliance (in compliance with) customer compromise confidential D congregate congregate care data consent date of birth consolidate consult deaf Deaf & Hard of Hearing (DHH) consulate continuance death certificate contract debt controversy decree convalescent deduct deductible convict conviction deduction deinstitutionalize cooperative coordinate delay coordination dentist coordinator delegate demographic copy corrective action denture cost department Department of Health (DOH) -counseling court order Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) cover deprive coverage

crime crisis

crisis intervention

detoxification

development

develop

Developmental Disabilities (DD) doctor diagnosis document diarrhea domestic disability domestic violence Disability Initiative downtown Disability Insurance (DI) driving while intoxicated (DWI) disable drop a criminal charge disagreement drug disburse drug addict disbursement discharge E disclosure discriminate (against) discrimination early intervention dismiss Earned Income Credit dissolution of marriage eamings diversity Economic and **Diversity Initiative** Medical Field Services (EMFS) Division of Alcohol and Substance **Economic Services Administration** Abuse (DASA) (ESA) Division of Child Support (DCS) elderly Division of Children and Family Services eligibility (DCFS) eligible Division of Community Services (DCS) emergency Division of Developmental Disabilities emotion (DDD) emotional health Division of Employment and Social employee Services (DESS) Employee Services Division (ESD) -Division of Income Assistance (DIA) employer supported child care Division of Management & Operations employment Support (DMOS) **Employment Placement Services** division of property enforcement officer Division of Vocational Rehabilitation enforceable (DVR) entitle divorce environment

epidemic family size equality farm worker equipment federal government equity value (of a house, etc.) federal taxes escalator clause fidgety Eskimo (race) figure Filipino establishment family planning estate financial aid estimate financially indigent estimated annual income ethnic minorities financial support evaluate financial worker Evergreen Legal Services (ELS) first aid evidence food stamps food products examination foster care example exceed foster child foster home exception exempt (from) foster parents fraud expedited service frequency expense frequently expire full time explain exploitation funeral extension funeral assistance eyeglasses function fund funding F G facility fact

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generally generate generation get hurt give glossary goal government grant assistance grateful Green Card grievance groceries gross earnings gross income group care Guamanian guardian guardianship guarantee guard guidelines guilty gynecologist

## H

habilitation
handicapped
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head of household
headquarters
health insurance

Health & Rehabilitative Services Administration (HRSA) health service **Healthy Options** hearing impaired heart attack heroin high blood pressure hip Hispanic hit Home and Community Services Divisic (HCSD) home based services homeless home maker home support hospitalization hotline house chore household income housekeeper housewife housework Human Resources Development hysterical

## I

identification
illegal
immigrant
immigration
Immigration and Naturalization Service
(INS)

implementation interim interim care imprisonment interment improve incapacitated interment assistance incentive Internal Revenue Services (IRS) interpret incident interpreter income Income Assistance intervene income source intervention interview income tax credit intimidate incur intoxicated independence independent intoxication independent living skills intra-agency investigation indigent invoice inflation involve influenza (flu) involvement injury immediate danger innocence J in person inspector institution jail Japanese institutionalization Institution Services (IS) job interview job placement instructions job training insurance insurance policy judge judgement intake intake interview judiciary jury integrity intention justice intentional justify Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration intentionally

(JRA)

interagency

#### legislature lend K levy liable keep license keep track of lien kid life insurance kidney limit kin limited English proficient (LEP) kitchen lipreading knowledge list Korean litigation liver living arrangement loan long term labor low blood pressure Labor and Industries low income **Time-Loss Payments** lung laborer landlord M Lands and Buildings Division (LBD) language Laotian maiden name law maintenance law enforcement malicious mischief lawful manage Management and Budget (MB) lawsuit -lawyer Management Services Administration legal (MSA)

Management Services Division (MSD)

manager

mandatory

marijuana

legal guardian

legal separation

legislation

legislative

marital status marriage marriage certificate maternity **Maternity Support Services** Mathadone Treatment maximum maximum amount mediation medicaid medical assistance Medical Assistance Administration (MAA) medical cost medical coverage medical coupons medical history medically indigent medicare medicine member mental health Mental Health Division (MHD) mentally ill mental retardation middle name military service minimum minister minority Minority Affairs Initiative Minority Initiative misconduct

mission

mistreat
modification
modify
molar
molest
molestation
monetary assistance
money
money order
monitor
monthly
mortgage
mute
multiply

### N

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Non-Wage Earner Program Office of Vendor Services notice ombudsman notify opiate nursing home opium **Nursing Home Services** option nutrition out-of-home services organization orientation original orthopedic obligation outpatient objection overdue objective overestimate obligation overpayment obstacle owe obtain own occupation occur <sup>\*</sup> P occurrence offender Office of Appeals pain Office of Child Care Policy pamphlet Office of Children's Research paralyzed Office of Constituent Relations paramedic Office for Equal Opportunity (OEO) parental kidnapping Office of Financial Recovery (OFR) parental rights Office of Issuances parenting plan Office of Language Interpreter Services parole and Translations (LIST) participant Office of Nursing Home/Hospital Audit partnership Office of Operations Review part-time Office of Operations Services passport Office of Special Investigation paternity Office of Staff Services pay Office of Support Enforcement (OSE) paycheck

payment procedure pay stubs proceedings penalize profession penalty program pending promote pension proof percent property percentage property taxes prosecution perjury permanent post-sentencing no-contact order protection permanent residency permission protection order petition protest provide pharmacy provider photocopy physical exam Provider Services (PS) physical therapy psychiatric hospitalization Pidgin Signed English (PSE) psychiatrist placement public assistance plan public sector Puerto Rican policy. population postnatal Q postpartum preemptive quadriplegia pregnant qualification press criminal charges qualified prevent qualify prevention priority **Quality Control** private investigator quarter private sector query probable cause question probation questionable probation revocation questionnaire

quota representative request requirement R reschedule resident Residential Care Services Division race rape (RCSD) reapply resolution receipts resolve receptionist resource recipient respite reckless endangerment respite care reconciliate responsibility reconciliation restitution records restraining order recruit result redeem retardation reduce retention referral retirement Refugee Assistance revenue refuse review region Revised Code of Washington (RCW) regional office revoke registration rights regulation risk assessment rehabilitation role rehabilitation aid ruies reimburse Russian reimbursement relationship S relative reluctant rent safe repatriate safety report salary

sales taxes Samoan

separated

savings

savings account

schedule scope

screening self support

self-sufficient

Senior Companion Program

service delivery

settlement

sexual abuse

sexual orientation

Sexual Orientation Initiative

shelter

short term

sick

Signed Exact English (SEE)

signature

single parent

situation

sliding-fee scales

**Small Claims Court** 

Social Security

Social Security Benefits

Social Security Card

Social Security Number (SS#)

Social Welfare Department

social worker

Spanish

Special Commitment Center (SCC)

specialist

speech impediment

spenddown

spouse

stability

staff

standard

state fund...

statement

state taxes

statutory authority

statutory rape

street youth

subpoena

subsidy

substance abuse

substantial

substantially

subtract

subtraction

summon

supervise

supervision

supplemental

Supplemental Security Income

supplies

Support Enforcement Officer

support order

support payment

survey

suspend

suspension

T

Tactile ASL (American Sign Language)

tactile signaling device take care of target tax teen teenage teenager telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) teletypewriter (TTY) TTY/large visual display (LVD) TTY with braille temporary termination testimony Thai therapeutic services therapy threaten tolerate tracking transition translate translator transportation treatment trespassing truthful turn in (application) U unaccompanied minor

under oath

underpay underestimate understand under the influence unemployable unemployment **Unemployment Benefits** unintentional unintentionally union unkempt unlawful unpaid (bills) unsigned upset urgent utility bills **Utilization Services (US)** 

#### V

vaccinate
value
verification
verify
veteran
Veterans Benefits
vibrating ring signaler
victim
victim compensation
Vietnamese
violate
violation
violence

visa
visual ring signaler
vocational rehabilitation
volunteer
voucher
vulnerable

# W

wages wage withholding Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Washington's Domestic Violence Prevention Act (WDVPA) weapon weekly welfare welfare fraud wheelchair White (race) widow widower withdraw withdrawal withdrawn

Xerox copy Xerox machine X-ray

### Y

yearly
yet
young
youngster
youth

# Z

zero zip code zone zoning

# X

Xerox

withhold witness worker

worker's compensation

# State of Washington Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS)

#### Language Interpreter and Translator Code of Professional Conduct

#### 1. Accuracy

Interpreters/translators shall always thoroughly and faithfully render the source language message, omitting or adding nothing, giving consideration to linguistic variations in both source and target languages, conserving the tone and spirit of the source language message.

#### 2. Cultural Sensitivity - Courtesy

Interpreters/translators shall be culturally competent, sensitive, and respectful of the individual(s) they serve.

#### 3. Confidentiality

Interpreters/translators shall not divulge any information obtained through their assignments, including but not limited to information gained through access to documents or other written material.

#### 4. Disclosure

Interpreters/translators shall not publicly discuss, report, or offer an opinion concerning matters in which they are or have been engaged, even when that information is not privileged by law to be confidential.

#### 5. Proficiency

Interpreters/translators shall meet the minimum proficiency standard set by DSHS by passing the required certification examination or screening evaluation.

#### 6. Compensation

The fee schedule agreed to between the contracted language service providers and the department shall be the maximum compensation accepted. Interpreters/translators shall not accept additional money, compensation, or favor for services reimbursed by the department. Interpreters/translators shall not use for private or other's gain or advantage, the department's time, facilities, equipment, or supplies, nor shall they use or attempt to use their position to secure privileges or exemptions.

#### 7. Nondiscrimination

Interpreters/translators shall always be neutral, impartial, and unbiased. Interpreters/translators shall not discriminate on the basis of gender, disability, race, color, national origin, age, socioeconomic or educational status, or religious or political beliefs.

#### 8. Self-evaluation

Interpreters/translators shall accurately and completely represent their certifications, training, and experience.

#### 9. Impartiality - Conflict of Interest

Interpreters/translators shall disclose any real or perceived conflict of interest which would affect their objectivity in the delivery of service. Providing interpreting or translation services for family members or friends may violate the individual's right to confidentiality, or constitute a conflict of interest.

#### 10. Professional Demeanor

Interpreters/translators shall be punctual, prepared, and dressed in a manner appropriate and not distracting for the situation.

#### 11. Scope of Practice

Interpreters/translators shall not counsel, refer, give advice, or express personal opinions, to individual for whom they are interpreting/translating, or engage in any other activities which may be construed to constitute a service other than interpreting/translating. Interpreters/translators are prohibited to have unsupervised access to clients, including but not limited to phoning clients directly.

#### 12. Reporting Obstacles to Practice

Interpreters/translators shall assess at all times their ability to interpret/translate. Should interpreters/translators have any reservations about their competency, they must immediately notify the parties and offer to withdraw without threat of retaliation. Interpreter/translator may remain until more appropriate interpreters/translators can be secured.

#### 13. Ethical Violations

Interpreters/translators shall immediately withdraw from encounters they perceive as violations of this Code. Any violation of the Code of Professional Conduct may cause termination of the contract.

#### 14. Professional Development

Interpreters/translators shall develop their skills and knowledge through professional training, continuing education, and interaction with colleagues and specialists in related fields.

THIS CODE APPLIES TO ALL PERSONS PROVIDING LANGUAGE INTERPRETING OR TRANSLATION SERVICES AND MUST BE COMPLIED WITH AT ALL TIMES.